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Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated March 23, 2007, Applicants traverse the Requirement as follows.

In order to provide a complete response to the restriction requirement, applicants provisionally elect, without traverse, Group I, identified by the Examiner as claims 1-11, drawn to method of circuit board processing classified in class 219, subclass 121.41, of the pending application.

If the Examiner believes that there are any matters which can be resolved by way of either a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned attorney at the number Indicated below.

Applicants request any shortage or excess in fees in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, and for which no other form of

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payment is offered, be charged or credited to Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (Case: 500.39771X00).

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